

ABSTRACT

An image forming apparatus of the present invention includes an apparatus body. An image forming device included in the apparatus is at least partly implemented  
5 by a replaceable part. A counter counts prints output by the apparatus with the replaceable part. A memory and a first nonvolatile memory are built in the apparatus body. A second nonvolatile memory is built in the replaceable part. A controller writes a limit number of prints  
10 particular to the replaceable part in the first nonvolatile memory, stores, after image forming operation, a cumulative number of prints counted by the counter in the memory and second nonvolatile memory, and reports the time for replacing the replaceable part when the  
15 cumulative number stored in the memory exceeds the limit number of prints stored in the first nonvolatile memory.